

## House Bill 5397

### Municipal Utility Residential Clean Energy Program Act

1. **Voluntary:** Only customers who want to can participate.
2. **Saves money:** Facilitates customers saving energy so that they can save money.
3. **Local effort:** Local communities are trying to make things better. Reduces existing barriers to self-sufficiency. This potential Act helps ensure that state law is not an impediment.
4. **No State or Federal issues.** On-bill financing enables monthly electric bills to be voluntarily increased by an increment equal to the savings generated by the home energy retrofits for participating municipal utilities. Once paid back, net savings go to homeowner.
5. **No private business impacts:** Bankers, realtors, assessors were consulted in advance. This potential Act models what other state's allow regarding voluntary **on-bill financing**. Increases private investment in the State.
6. **Increases in property values:** Building energy labels mean greater re-sale values and a stronger, more competitive State.

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*On behalf of Mayor Kurt Dykstra, the City Council and  
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**City of Holland**  
**Holland Energy Retrofit Plan**  
(30-50% efficiencies with on-bill monthly payment)

